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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Insert an Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a device and a method for secure electronic transmission of data via a server of a network. According to the method, the addressee of the data does not have to be known at the time the data are made available. The device, which has to be installed in the network server, includes an input unit for receiving coded data and an external key. The device also includes a unit for decoding the coded data by means of an internal key and for the renewed encoding of the data using the external key. The internal key is not accessible from outside the device. The data encoded by means of the external key can be retrieved at the level of an output unit. The data can thus be read by the holder of the external key which in the course of a data request is transferred to the device together with the data, the holder also being the exclusive holder of the corresponding internal key.